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2,7-Dihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxyphenanthrene from Dehaasia *longipedicellata*

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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; T = 100 K; mean σ (C–C) = 0.002 Å; R factor = 0.046; wR factor = 0.150; data-to-parameter ratio = 12.6.

The hydroxy groups in the title compound, $C_{16}H_{14}O_4$, are each hydrogen bonded to the adjacent methoxy O atom; one of the two hydroxy groups is additionally linked to the O atom of the methoxy group of another molecule, forming a linear chain.

Related literature

For related compounds isolated from other plants, see: Bhandari et al. (1985); Mujumder et al. (1985); Theuns et al. (1985); Zurinah Mahmud et al. (1992). For the crystal structure of 2,3-dimethoxy-6,7-methylenedioxyphenanthrene, see: Wang et al. (2007).



Experimental

Crystal data

 $C_{16}H_{14}O_4$ $M_r = 270.27$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ a = 11.6268 (2) Å b = 7.2207 (1) Å c = 16.5351 (2) Å $\beta = 109.196 \ (1)^{\circ}$

V = 1311.00 (3) Å³ Z = 4Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 100 (2) K $0.30 \times 0.25 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

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Bruker SMART APEX
  diffractometer
Absorption correction: none
15710 measured reflections
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Refinement

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$ $wR(F^2) = 0.150$ 14 restraints All H-atom parameters refined S = 1.10 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.42 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$ 2991 reflections 237 parameters

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O2 - H20 \cdots O1$ $O2 - H20 \cdots O3^{i}$	0.85(1) 0.85(1)	2.20(3) 1.95(1)	2.670(2) 2.754(2)	115 (2) 159 (3)
O3−H3o···O4	0.85(1)	2.08 (3)	2.614 (2)	121 (3)

Symmetry code: (i) x + 1, y, z.

Data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2007); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2007); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: X-SEED (Barbour, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: publCIF (Westrip, 2008).

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2,7-Dihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxyphenanthrene from Dehaasia longipedicellata

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Comment

2,7-Dihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxylphenanthrene (Scheme I, Fig. 1) is a new compound isolated from *Dehaasia longipedicellata* (Ridl.) Kosterm. The hydroxy groups are each hydrogen-bonded to the adjacent methoxy oxygen; one of the two hydroxy groups is additionally linked to the oxygen atom of the methoxy group of another molecule to form a linear chain.

Experimental

Dehaasia longipedicellata (Ridl.) Kosterm. was collected in Raub Forest Reserve, Pahang, Malaysia, in 1997. Specimens (KL4719) were deposited at the herbarium, Department of Chemistry, University of Malaya and the herbarium of the Forest Research Institute of Malaysia.

Some 1.4 kg of dried and ground leaves of *D. longipedicellata* was extracted with dichloromethane. The dichloromethane extract was concentrated under reduced pressure to a volume of 500 ml. This was repeatedly extracted with a solution of 5% hydrochloric acid. The combined extracts were then basified with 10% ammonium hydroxide to pH 11 and then re-extracted with dichloromethane. The brown alkaloid fraction amounted to (8.83 g). A portion (3 g) was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel 60 GF₂₅₄ by using a step gradient of dichloromethane and methanol. The separation afforded 15 fractions, the first (100% dichloromethane) gave 2,7-dihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxyphenanthrene (8 mg), whose formulation was established by spectroscopic analysis. Light brown prisms were obtained upon recrystallization from dichloromethane.

Refinement

Hydrogen atoms were located in a difference Fourier map. They were refined isotropically with distance restraints of C–H 0.95±0.01 Å and O–H 0.85±0.01 Å.

Figures



Fig. 1. Displacement ellipsoid plot (Barbour, 2001) of the molecule of $C_{16}H_{16}O_4$ drawn at the 70% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.

Fig. 2. Hydrogen-bonded chain structure.

2,7-Dihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxyphenanthrene

Crystal data	
C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₄	$F_{000} = 568$
$M_r = 270.27$	$D_{\rm x} = 1.369 {\rm ~Mg~m^{-3}}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å
Hall symbol: -P 2ybc	Cell parameters from 8700 reflections
<i>a</i> = 11.6268 (2) Å	$\theta = 2.6 - 28.3^{\circ}$
b = 7.2207 (1) Å	$\mu = 0.10 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
c = 16.5351 (2) Å	T = 100 (2) K
$\beta = 109.196 (1)^{\circ}$	Prism, pale brown
$V = 1311.00 (3) \text{ Å}^3$	$0.30\times0.25\times0.05~mm$
Z = 4	

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX diffractometer	2671 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.020$
Monochromator: graphite	$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$
T = 100(2) K	$\theta_{\min} = 2.6^{\circ}$
ω scans	$h = -11 \rightarrow 15$
Absorption correction: None	$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$
15710 measured reflections	$l = -21 \rightarrow 21$
2991 independent reflections	

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map
Least-squares matrix: full	Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.046$	All H-atom parameters refined
$wR(F^2) = 0.150$	$w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.07P)^{2} + 1.2422P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$
S = 1.11	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
2991 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{max} = 0.42 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
237 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{min} = -0.23 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
14 restraints	Extinction correction: none
Primary atom site location: structure-invariant direct	

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Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (A^2)

x y z $U_{\rm iso}^{*}/U_{\rm eq}$

01	0.71900 (10)	0.23952 (17)	0.51347 (7)	0.0175 (3)
O2	0.85160 (11)	0.40262 (19)	0.65922 (8)	0.0213 (3)
O3	-0.02829 (12)	0.2974 (2)	0.54817 (9)	0.0277 (3)
O4	0.05316 (11)	0.19182 (19)	0.42576 (8)	0.0236 (3)
C1	0.47440 (14)	0.3578 (2)	0.60344 (10)	0.0137 (3)
C2	0.53118 (14)	0.2890 (2)	0.54541 (10)	0.0141 (3)
C3	0.65507 (14)	0.3029 (2)	0.56408 (10)	0.0147 (3)
C4	0.72887 (14)	0.3887 (2)	0.64087 (10)	0.0160 (3)
C5	0.67565 (15)	0.4568 (2)	0.69713 (10)	0.0164 (3)
C6	0.54872 (14)	0.4405 (2)	0.68039 (10)	0.0148 (3)
C7	0.49473 (15)	0.5060 (2)	0.74130 (10)	0.0161 (3)
C8	0.37442 (15)	0.4861 (2)	0.72813 (10)	0.0174 (3)
C9	0.29560 (15)	0.4047 (2)	0.65046 (10)	0.0159 (3)
C10	0.16910 (16)	0.3874 (2)	0.63624 (11)	0.0197 (4)
C11	0.09423 (15)	0.3145 (2)	0.56196 (11)	0.0197 (4)
C12	0.14106 (15)	0.2572 (2)	0.49676 (11)	0.0180 (3)
C13	0.26312 (15)	0.2727 (2)	0.50896 (10)	0.0157 (3)
C14	0.34417 (14)	0.3444 (2)	0.58698 (10)	0.0142 (3)
C15	0.64950 (15)	0.1659 (2)	0.43192 (10)	0.0172 (3)
C16	0.09098 (17)	0.1296 (3)	0.35617 (11)	0.0234 (4)
H2O	0.870 (2)	0.361 (4)	0.6173 (12)	0.042 (7)*
H3O	-0.059 (3)	0.257 (4)	0.4974 (10)	0.060 (9)*
H2	0.4840 (17)	0.236 (3)	0.4925 (9)	0.019 (5)*
H5	0.7270 (16)	0.513 (3)	0.7485 (9)	0.019 (5)*
H7	0.5458 (16)	0.571 (3)	0.7897 (10)	0.019 (5)*
H8	0.3392 (18)	0.525 (3)	0.7698 (11)	0.019 (5)*
H10	0.1355 (19)	0.429 (3)	0.6789 (11)	0.027 (6)*
H13	0.2932 (18)	0.230 (3)	0.4656 (10)	0.019 (5)*
H151	0.7096 (16)	0.132 (3)	0.4069 (14)	0.028 (6)*
H152	0.5945 (16)	0.259 (2)	0.4015 (12)	0.019 (5)*
H153	0.6033 (16)	0.058 (2)	0.4361 (13)	0.015 (5)*
H161	0.0189 (14)	0.090 (3)	0.3123 (11)	0.030 (6)*
H162	0.1507 (18)	0.034 (3)	0.3737 (15)	0.034 (6)*
H163	0.128 (2)	0.234 (2)	0.3382 (15)	0.032 (6)*

Atomic displacement parameters $(Å^2)$

	U^{11}	U ²²	U ³³	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
O1	0.0127 (5)	0.0242 (6)	0.0160 (6)	0.0004 (4)	0.0053 (4)	-0.0032 (4)
O2	0.0122 (6)	0.0314 (7)	0.0193 (6)	-0.0021 (5)	0.0038 (4)	-0.0035 (5)
O3	0.0126 (6)	0.0442 (8)	0.0273 (7)	-0.0017 (5)	0.0079 (5)	-0.0053 (6)
O4	0.0135 (6)	0.0342 (7)	0.0207 (6)	-0.0026 (5)	0.0025 (5)	-0.0061 (5)
C1	0.0140 (7)	0.0133 (7)	0.0138 (7)	0.0008 (6)	0.0046 (6)	0.0016 (5)
C2	0.0148 (7)	0.0151 (7)	0.0122 (7)	0.0001 (6)	0.0039 (6)	0.0004 (5)
C3	0.0152 (7)	0.0153 (7)	0.0143 (7)	0.0014 (6)	0.0058 (6)	0.0013 (6)
C4	0.0126 (7)	0.0174 (7)	0.0171 (7)	-0.0008 (6)	0.0037 (6)	0.0023 (6)
C5	0.0164 (8)	0.0169 (7)	0.0137 (7)	-0.0017 (6)	0.0019 (6)	-0.0004 (6)
C6	0.0163 (8)	0.0145 (7)	0.0132 (7)	0.0009 (6)	0.0043 (6)	0.0023 (5)

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C7	0.0199 (8)	0.0154 (7)	0.0111 (7)	0.0007 (6)	0.0027 (6)	-0.0002 (5)
C8	0.0216 (8)	0.0177 (7)	0.0148 (7)	0.0033 (6)	0.0086 (6)	0.0013 (6)
C9	0.0157 (8)	0.0165 (7)	0.0160 (7)	0.0024 (6)	0.0061 (6)	0.0028 (6)
C10	0.0175 (8)	0.0242 (8)	0.0197 (8)	0.0028 (6)	0.0094 (6)	0.0010 (6)
C11	0.0129 (8)	0.0243 (8)	0.0231 (8)	0.0019 (6)	0.0076 (6)	0.0029 (7)
C12	0.0154 (8)	0.0197 (8)	0.0173 (8)	0.0000 (6)	0.0033 (6)	-0.0002 (6)
C13	0.0156 (8)	0.0176 (7)	0.0146 (7)	0.0011 (6)	0.0059 (6)	0.0013 (6)
C14	0.0136 (7)	0.0138 (7)	0.0152 (7)	0.0017 (5)	0.0048 (6)	0.0026 (6)
C15	0.0181 (8)	0.0198 (8)	0.0142 (7)	0.0003 (6)	0.0061 (6)	-0.0021 (6)
C16	0.0197 (8)	0.0295 (9)	0.0177 (8)	-0.0019 (7)	0.0016 (6)	-0.0054 (7)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

O1—C3	1.3679 (19)	С7—С8	1.351 (2)
O1—C15	1.4273 (19)	С7—Н7	0.949 (10)
O2—C4	1.3615 (19)	C8—C9	1.436 (2)
O2—H2O	0.848 (10)	C8—H8	0.951 (9)
O3—C11	1.372 (2)	C9—C10	1.417 (2)
О3—НЗО	0.849 (10)	C9—C14	1.414 (2)
O4—C12	1.363 (2)	C10—C11	1.357 (2)
O4—C16	1.432 (2)	С10—Н10	0.959 (10)
C1—C6	1.414 (2)	C11—C12	1.420 (2)
C1—C2	1.421 (2)	C12—C13	1.371 (2)
C1—C14	1.451 (2)	C13—C14	1.422 (2)
C2—C3	1.374 (2)	С13—Н13	0.946 (9)
С2—Н2	0.947 (9)	С15—Н151	0.954 (10)
C3—C4	1.420 (2)	С15—Н152	0.948 (9)
C4—C5	1.367 (2)	C15—H153	0.959 (9)
C5—C6	1.414 (2)	С16—Н161	0.955 (10)
С5—Н5	0.954 (9)	С16—Н162	0.952 (10)
C6—C7	1.431 (2)	C16—H163	0.959 (10)
C3—O1—C15	116.73 (12)	C10—C9—C8	120.47 (15)
C4—O2—H2O	108.9 (19)	C14—C9—C8	119.79 (14)
С11—О3—НЗО	105 (2)	C11—C10—C9	120.43 (15)
C12—O4—C16	117.34 (13)	C11—C10—H10	119.4 (14)
C6—C1—C2	118.23 (14)	С9—С10—Н10	120.1 (14)
C6—C1—C14	119.23 (14)	C10—C11—O3	120.48 (16)
C2—C1—C14	122.54 (14)	C10-C11-C12	120.56 (15)
C3—C2—C1	120.55 (14)	O3—C11—C12	118.95 (15)
С3—С2—Н2	118.9 (13)	O4—C12—C13	127.02 (15)
C1—C2—H2	120.6 (13)	O4—C12—C11	112.88 (15)
O1—C3—C2	125.36 (14)	C13—C12—C11	120.09 (15)
O1—C3—C4	113.75 (14)	C12—C13—C14	120.56 (15)
C2—C3—C4	120.89 (14)	C12—C13—H13	119.0 (13)
O2—C4—C5	119.84 (15)	C14—C13—H13	120.4 (13)
O2—C4—C3	120.83 (14)	C9—C14—C13	118.58 (14)
C5—C4—C3	119.33 (15)	C9—C14—C1	119.15 (14)
C4—C5—C6	120.91 (15)	C13—C14—C1	122.27 (14)
С4—С5—Н5	117.9 (13)	O1—C15—H151	103.7 (14)

С6—С5—Н5	121.1 (13)	O1—C15—H152	108.2 (13)
C5—C6—C1	120.07 (14)	H151—C15—H152	114.5 (19)
C5—C6—C7	120.38 (14)	O1-C15-H153	112.9 (12)
C1—C6—C7	119.55 (14)	H151—C15—H153	109.3 (19)
C8—C7—C6	121.47 (15)	H152—C15—H153	108.3 (18)
С8—С7—Н7	121.1 (13)	O4-C16-H161	106.3 (14)
С6—С7—Н7	117.4 (13)	O4—C16—H162	111.6 (15)
С7—С8—С9	120.69 (15)	H161—C16—H162	112 (2)
С7—С8—Н8	121.4 (13)	O4—C16—H163	106.8 (15)
С9—С8—Н8	117.9 (13)	H161—C16—H163	112 (2)
C10—C9—C14	119.73 (15)	H162—C16—H163	108 (2)
C6—C1—C2—C3	0.0 (2)	C14—C9—C10—C11	-0.4 (2)
C14—C1—C2—C3	-179.27 (14)	C8—C9—C10—C11	178.42 (16)
C15—O1—C3—C2	5.0 (2)	C9—C10—C11—O3	179.88 (15)
C15—O1—C3—C4	-174.81 (13)	C9—C10—C11—C12	-1.0 (3)
C1—C2—C3—O1	179.19 (14)	C16-04-C12-C13	0.9 (3)
C1—C2—C3—C4	-1.0 (2)	C16—O4—C12—C11	-179.78 (15)
O1—C3—C4—O2	-0.1 (2)	C10-C11-C12-O4	-178.39 (16)
C2—C3—C4—O2	-179.89 (14)	O3-C11-C12-O4	0.7 (2)
O1—C3—C4—C5	-179.60 (14)	C10-C11-C12-C13	1.0 (3)
C2—C3—C4—C5	0.6 (2)	O3-C11-C12-C13	-179.95 (15)
O2—C4—C5—C6	-178.64 (14)	O4—C12—C13—C14	179.82 (16)
C3—C4—C5—C6	0.9 (2)	C11-C12-C13-C14	0.6 (2)
C4—C5—C6—C1	-1.9 (2)	C10-C9-C14-C13	1.9 (2)
C4—C5—C6—C7	177.63 (15)	C8—C9—C14—C13	-176.96 (14)
C2—C1—C6—C5	1.4 (2)	C10-C9-C14-C1	-178.18 (14)
C14—C1—C6—C5	-179.26 (14)	C8—C9—C14—C1	3.0 (2)
C2—C1—C6—C7	-178.10 (14)	C12-C13-C14-C9	-1.9 (2)
C14—C1—C6—C7	1.2 (2)	C12-C13-C14-C1	178.09 (15)
C5—C6—C7—C8	-177.65 (15)	C6—C1—C14—C9	-3.6 (2)
C1—C6—C7—C8	1.9 (2)	C2-C1-C14-C9	175.69 (14)
C6—C7—C8—C9	-2.5 (2)	C6—C1—C14—C13	176.38 (14)
C7—C8—C9—C10	-178.78 (15)	C2—C1—C14—C13	-4.3 (2)
C7—C8—C9—C14	0.0 (2)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

D—H···A	<i>D</i> —Н	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D\!\!-\!\!\mathrm{H}^{\ldots}\!\!\cdot\!\!\cdot$
O2—H2o…O1	0.85 (1)	2.20 (3)	2.670 (2)	115 (2)
O2—H2o···O3 ⁱ	0.85 (1)	1.95 (1)	2.754 (2)	159 (3)
O3—H3o…O4	0.85 (1)	2.08 (3)	2.614 (2)	121 (3)
Symmetry codes: (i) $x+1$, y , z .				



C6

C7

C8

04

C11

03

C12

C9

C10



Fig. 2